

**Project Safe Neighborhoods (PSN)
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North Carolina Gun Law: Possession of a Firearm by a Felon (N.C.G.S. 14-415.1)

It is against the law for any person who has been convicted of a felony to purchase, own, possess, or have in his custody, care, or control any firearm (except an antique firearm) or weapon of mass destruction. This crime is a Class G felony and may be punishable by forty-four (44) months in prison.

Pocket-size cards detailing many North Carolina firearm statutes are available to the public by Project Safe Neighborhoods. Please call 560-4438 x29230 to request cards for your community or organization.

PSN Partners Spotlight: Safety in Numbers Neighborhoods

Listed below are several of Durham's 107 *Safety in Numbers* neighborhoods. Additional neighborhoods will be acknowledged in future editions of PSN's Community Newsletter. Please contact Jennifer Snyder (919/560-4438 x29230 or jennifer.snyder@durhamnc.gov) if you are interested in your neighborhood becoming a *Safety in Numbers* partner.

Abercromby	American Village	Argonne Hills	Audubon Park
Balfour East	Birchwood	Blount Street	Cambian Place
CC Spaulding Neighborhood	Chancellors Ridge	Cleveland Holloway	Duke Park
Country Club Heights	Cross Timbers HOA	Darby Glen	Fisher Heights
Crest Street Community	Croasdaile Community Watch	Edgemont Elm	Grande Park
Downing Creek	Eastway Village	Hickory Ridge	Hope Creek
Falconbridge	Farrington Homeowners	Hope Valley Farms	Laurel Village
Lakemoor	Knollwood HOA	Horton Hills	
Downtown Neighborhood Association		Erwin Area Neighborhood Group	
Fairfield Community Awareness Committee		Fayetteville Street Planning Group	
Forest Hills Neighborhood Alliance		Forest Hills Neighborhood Association	
Foxfire Apartment Homes		Gorman and Panther Creek Neighbors	
Friends and Families of East Durham Neighborhoods		Hope Valley Neighborhood Association	

ONE SIMPLE THING YOU CAN DO to Prevent Gun Crime in Your Community:

Photograph serial numbers on your firearms. Should your guns be taken from your home or automobile these numbers will assist law enforcement officers recover stolen property.

Pointers for Parents: Five Important Lessons to Teach Your Children

1. Never go anywhere with (or open the door to) someone you or your parents don't know and trust. If someone touches you in a way that makes you feel uncomfortable, say no, get away, and tell a trusted adult.
2. Don't use alcohol or other drugs, and stay away from people and places associated with them.
3. Stick with friends who are against violence and drugs, and stay away from known trouble spots.
4. Get involved to make school safer and better – conduct a poster contest against violence, hold anti-drug rallies, counsel peers, settle disputes peacefully. If there is no program, help start one!
5. Help younger children learn to avoid being crime victims. Set a good example, and volunteer to help with community efforts to stop crime.

PSN In Your Neighborhood:

June 24: Safety in Numbers Community Fair (10:00-Noon DPD Headquarters)

July 31: Safety Fair (Target South Square)

Please contact the Project Safe Neighborhoods office if your neighborhood group, civic organization, business, or congregation would like a presentation about Durham's community mobilization campaign against gun crime, *Safety in Numbers*.

Do you need help with an organization or community presentation regarding gun crime and violence? Call the Project Safe Neighborhoods Office at 560-4438 x29230.